

ALL HALL EX-SERVANTS FACE QUIZ AS GORSLINE IS HUNTED BY POLICE

New Prosecutor Reconstructing Murder Scene

Still hopeful that the 4-year-old Hall-Mills murder mystery will be solved within thirty-six hours Special Prosecutor Simpson at Jersey City today ordered state police to round up all former servants in the Hall home for questioning.

These are Peter Tumulty, chauffeur, now employed by Henry Carpenter, a cousin of Mrs. Frances Stevens Hall, who is charged with the double murder of her husband, Rev. Edward W. Hall, and his paramour, Mrs. Eleanor Mills; Mrs. Louise Geist Riehl, Minnie Clark, Barbara Tough, personal maid to Mrs. Hall; and Marie Gilda, aged cook, now working for a professor at Rutgers College in New Brunswick.

Quiz in Jersey City.

The servants are to be brought to Jersey City for questioning today, Simpson declared, at the same time announcing that he had completed his inquiry into the conduct of the original investigation.

Simpson, who conferred yesterday with Fred Davis, Middlesex county detective, and former Detective Totten of Somerset county,



Alexander Simpson



Willie Stevens

now in the employe of a newspaper, said he was now "laying the groundwork for a reconstruction of the actual murder."

"Search of the records of the first inquiry reveals a maze of conflicting statements," he said. "I am surprised that there is no statement at all from the persons who actually found the bodies."

Wanted as Accessory

The special prosecutor was told this morning of the failure of state troopers to find Ralph Gorsline, vestryman in Dr. Hall's church and member of the choir, in Spring Lake, N. J.

Gorsline is wanted as an accessory to the double murder.

"I am convinced that Gorsline has not told all he knows," Simpson stated, "and I want to give him another chance. If he won't..."

Told that troopers so far had not arrested Mrs. Nellie Russell, nee-gress, who lives near the farm of Mrs. Jane Gibson, "pig woman," Simpson said that he had ordered her arrest because she told conflicting stories, but that so far he "had not been able to get the police to make the arrest."

Two troopers, however, are reported to be on their way to New York city in a hunt for Gorsline.

"Mystery Woman" Talks

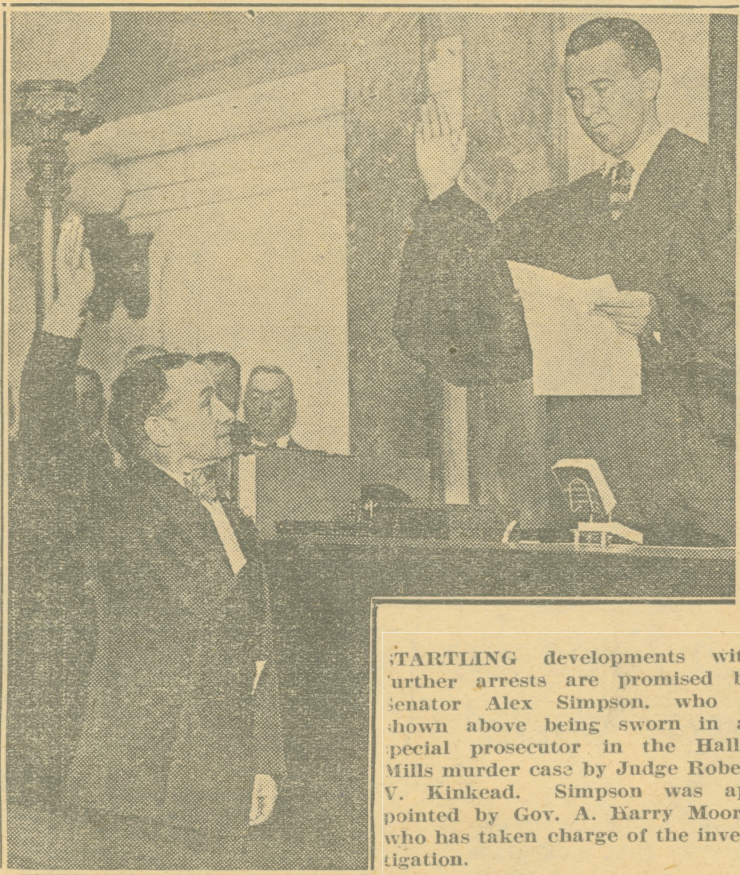
The prosecutor said he would proceed "delicately" in investigating information furnished him by a "mystery woman" witness of obvious refinement who called on him last evening.

The GRAPHIC learned today that this woman told Simpson she saw an automobile proceeding from the lane on the Phillips farm on the night of the murder.

At the time of the initial in-

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Sworn in to Probe Hall Murder



STARTLING developments with further arrests are promised by Senator Alex Simpson, who is shown above being sworn in as special prosecutor in the Hall-Mills murder case by Judge Robert V. Kinkead. Simpson was appointed by Gov. A. Harry Moore, who has taken charge of the investigation.

Indict 73 as First Blow In Drug Store Rum War

More wholesale indictments of doctors and druggists were indicated today as the United States attorney's office admitted that "only the surface had been scratched" by indictment yesterday of seventy-three individuals for illegal traffic in whisky through spurious prescriptions.

Assistant United States Attorney John J. Fogarty, who directed the investigation, said that except for lack of enough assistants, many more persons would have been named. He said that 500,000 prescriptions are in his possession, many illegal.

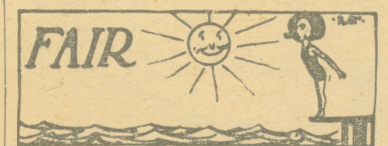
The use of 4,000,000 illegal prescriptions is charged in the indictments, which named 27 doctors, 30 druggists, 16 alleged whisky agents and 4 corporations as conspirators.

FRANCE GETS AMENDMENT TO DISARMAMENT PACT

GENEVA, Aug. 5 (By U. P.).—France has obtained a second amendment to the American definition of defensive armaments whereby the League of Nations disarmament sub-commission accepts as defensive any armaments necessary to fulfill international obligations.

THE WEATHER

THURSDAY, AUGUST 5, 1926.



| U. S. WEATHER FORECAST | | | | |
|--|-------|------------|--------|--------|
| LOCAL—Fair, with moderate temperature today and tomorrow. | | | | |
| EASTERN NEW YORK—Partly cloudy tonight and Friday; probably showers in central and north portions; rising temperature in extreme south portion; moderate to fresh southeast and south winds. | | | | |
| Hour. | Temp. | Weather. | Barom. | Wind. |
| Midnight. | 76 | Cloudy | 29.92 | N. 18 |
| 2 a. m. | 78 | Cloudy | 29.92 | NE. 8 |
| 4 a. m. | 74 | Pt. cloudy | 29.93 | NE. 8 |
| 6 a. m. | 73 | Pt. cloudy | 29.95 | NE. 14 |
| 8 a. m. | 73 | Cloudy | 30.00 | E. 12 |
| 10 a. m. | 75 | Cloudy | 30.00 | E. 13 |

Man Shoots Self After Family Spat

Rudolph Thode, police reported today, shot and killed himself last night in the kitchen of his home at 9910 Polk Ave., Corona, Queens.

His wife, Mrs. Evelyn Thode, discovered him dead on the kitchen floor. There was a bullet wound in his head.

After an inquiry, the police reported that Thode and his wife had been quarrelling prior to Thode's act.

Mrs. Hall's Arrest Weirdest Phase in Baffling Mystery

The New York Evening GRAPHIC today prints another installment of Mrs. Frances Stevens Hall's side of the case in which she is accused of murder—the first detailed story of her side. Mrs. Hall, alone of all the figures involved in the case, shuns publicity. Her lawyers respect her wish to remain out of the limelight. But her intimate friends, indignant over the unfair stories of her which have been published, have made it possible for The GRAPHIC to reveal today the unimpeachable past of the clergyman's widow who was jailed on the flimsy suspicion of a woman whose word does not deserve the credence it has commanded.

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Forced to remain within her New Brunswick home in these days of intolerable heat in order to escape the spies who would misinterpret her every movement in a manner to damage her most, Mrs. Frances Stevens Hall prays for the solution of the mystery that for four years has blanketed the murder of her clergyman husband through the confession of the slayer.

No Charge for His Services, Simpson Hints

Senator Simpson today indicated he will not ask any fee for his work in connection with the Hall-Mills case. He was told there was reported to be some opposition in Somerset county to the probable cost of the new investigation.

"My investigation will not be expensive," he said. "I will not ask Somerset county for any money for myself, if I can get to the bottom of this thing. If I succeed in doing so, I think it would be a great service to the governor and the state of New Jersey. The only expense will be for stenographers and detectives. I am not going to the Board of Freeholders of Somerset county and ask for money. Gov. Moore stated, when reports reached him about the talk of expense, that an investigation of murder cannot be halted because of expense."

PHILLIPS PETROL SETS NEW PRODUCTION PEAK

The Phillips Petroleum Company announces that it has completed 22 producing wells in Kansas, Oklahoma and Texas during the past week, and that its total daily production reached a new peak at 52,053 barrels. Gross production was 63,520 barrels from over 2,000 wells.

Since the night of the foul crime Mrs. Hall has been consumed with a never diminishing hope that the actual slayer will come forward and confess having done to death the Rev. Edward Wheeler Hall and Mrs. Eleanor Mills on the old Phillips farm, Somerset county, N. J., on the night of September 14, 1922.

Jailed on a presumption of guilt so ridiculous that Justice Gummere of the New Jersey Supreme Court hesitated even to ask so much bail as \$15,000 when he released her, Mrs. Hall is exploited and maligned on the shaky suspicion of a woman farmer of clouded character.

It is Mrs. Hall against Mrs. Jane Gibson, the "pig woman." It is the word of the clergyman's widow, a woman upon whose family tree no blemish can be found through several generations, against the word of a woman who attempts to hide her own past life in evasions and accusations.



Mrs. Frances Hall

Because, in short, Mrs. Jane Gibson fancies that she saw a woman in the darkness that hid the Phillips farm on September 14, 1922, that woman was Mrs. Hall, and, further, she was involved in the slaying of her husband and the choir singer.

Fail to Show Motive
In their demonstrably ill-advised
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More Mexican Killings, Several of Protestants

MEXICO CITY, Aug. 5 (By U. P.).—Catholics in Guadalajara have telegraphed the Episcopate here that two persons were killed and fifteen wounded in rioting at the Church of St. Guadalupe, when police and soldiers attempted to disperse a crowd.

Clashes outside Mexico City, resulting from the religious controversy, are admitted by Secretary of the Interior Tejeda, although the government holds to its contention, that the countryside is "tranquil."

Following suggestions of mediation by leading financiers, the church and the state are understood to have taken positions which will permit of no conciliation.

Bishop Diaz, as head of the Episcopal committee, has given out a papal letter sent by Cardinal Gasparri, secretary, to George Caruna, the apostolic delegate to Cuba, who was recently expelled from Mexico.

The letter says that "the Holy

See condemns the Mexican religious laws, and at the same time will condemn all acts that may signify, or be interpreted by people of faith, as acceptance or recognition of the same laws."

"HARRY GREB" DENIED AUTO RIGHTS IN JERSEY

TRENTON, N. J., Aug. 4.—William Dill, commissioner of motor vehicles in New Jersey, has placed the name of L. J. Dickey, alias Harry Greb of Chicago, on the list containing the names of those who are denied the privilege of driving an automobile in New Jersey.

Harry Greb was fined \$60 for speeding. As to whether or not he is the professional boxer is not clear.